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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer, OCD

SUBJECT: Foreign Publications Branch,
CIA Library

1. Yesterday I reviewed with Hodges Parker of O&M his questions based on his study of referenced draft staff study. He made the following points:

a) More should be added on the "functions" of the proposed branch.

b) More, and more specifically, should be said as to the duties of SAP.

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c) Is there to be a "transfer" of [REDACTED] and, if so, does this reduce some part of OCD by one slot?

2. Parker's information was that this paper was good if changed along the lines of the above suggestions. It incorporates all of the authoritative decisions short of the approval of the DD/A. Parker agreed to sign off on the paper for O&M after a very brief second look and prior to the paper's delivery to DD/A. He recommends that, if an increase in grades is called for, Classification be similarly approached in order to get their signature prior to going to DD/A.

25X1A9a 3. I reiterated to Parker that we desire to present this paper as a package deal, including FPB rather than taking two bites at the same apple. We still do not know about FPB and we reviewed with him the interrelation of FPB particularly and State intelligence activities generally. [REDACTED] had just informed me that, for 1955 budget purposes, it would be entirely appropriate to budget on the basis of our present organization and to reflect the changes arising from the creation of the Branch Library and (when and if it happens) of the addition of FPB as supplementary budget presentations later on.

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4. Parker and [REDACTED] and I all feel we need to know more than this paper tells us about the need of FDD for "8 new slots" (this results from FDD keeping back eight from those who would appear to be useable in the Branch Library immediately and in toto). [REDACTED] has so informed FDD budgeteers. In reworking this paper, you might well, it seems to me, include the FDD increase only insofar as it could be directly justified by the creation of the Branch Library. Any additional slots needed can then be justified by the FDD separately.

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